



CHOLERA SUSPECTS, 1,000 GERMANS FEAR RUSSIA.

Strict Measures to Prevent Spread of the Disease in Prussia.

Berlin, Sept. 1.—Forty-three cases of cholera in all have been reported. Nine persons have died from the disease, and many suspicious cases are under observation. The legal and medical machinery for dealing with this invasion of the Asiatic bacillus is now working at full pressure. Professor Edward Sonnenburg said to-night that no one need fear an epidemic such as that of 1892-93, because the health authorities since that time had built up an organization adequate to grasp the beginnings of cholera and to put down the disease with precision and firmness.

With the exception of the one death at Hamburg, the cholera is confined to the East Prussian districts, and every case of illness in these districts must be immediately reported to the authorities. The state has now detained under medical observation nearly one thousand persons, including the emigrants at Brunshaven. Cautions and warnings have been distributed, and these have led to spontaneous and intelligent co-operation with the sanitary officers. If the same agencies and the same spirit were at work beyond the Russian frontier, the Prussian health administration would feel satisfied with what is being done.

A belief, almost amounting to conviction, exists that the Russian administration has not yet been aroused to the danger, and that its task of dealing with the problem is much more difficult than that which confronts the authorities here.

The "Wissenschaften Correspondenz" cites the recent declaration of the Russian Plague Commission that since April 21 a case of cholera has occurred in the Russian Empire, and that the suspicious cases reported places, as bacteriological investigations showed, not Asiatic cholera. "As a matter of fact," says the paper, "the Prussian health officers were apprehensive of the existence of cholera since the beginning of the year, and their reports showed that the pestilence had left Arabia, and was marching over Syria, Mesopotamia and Persia, thence across the Caspian Sea into European Russia and onward up the Volga."

The Boerse to-day felt the effect of the prevalence of cholera, especially shipping companies, the shares of which fell from 3 to 4 per cent.

EMIGRANTS HELD.

Steerage Passengers of the Moltke in Quarantine.

Hamburg, Sept. 1.—The agent of the Imperial German Health Office, whose duty it is to inspect emigrants sailing for America, ordered all steerage passengers of the Hamburg American Line steamer Moltke, which sailed for New-York yesterday by way of Dover, to be landed at Cuxhaven. Later they were put in a steamer lying off Brunshaven, and are under quarantine. It does not appear that there is any case of cholera among the steerage passengers, but the Health Office, which has become increasingly vigilant because of yesterday's cholera case, thought it wisest to order all the emigrants to be landed for a fresh inspection and observation until Saturday, when, if none of them has been shown to have come in contact with cholera, they may be allowed to proceed.

An official note issued by the Hamburg government to-day says that no cause for alarm exists. Preventive measures, the note says, are much more complete than they were in 1892-93, and the authorities are dealing with the situation thoroughly. All those who had come in contact with the dead Russian emigrant, the note adds, are now quarantined.

PROTECTING AMERICA.

Marine Hospital Service Surgeons Ordered to Hamburg.

Washington, Sept. 1.—Surgeon General Wyman has already taken measures to prevent the spread of cholera from Germany to the United States by ordering Past Assistant Surgeon McLaughlin, now stationed at Naples, to proceed immediately to Hamburg. Dr. McLaughlin has been directed to make a thorough investigation of the situation, and to report in detail. He also has been directed to be prepared to enforce the necessary regulations relative to ships sailing for American ports. These regulations authorize the detention of suspected passengers and the fumigation of baggage when thought advisable. Surgeon Irwin, at Philadelphia, will soon join Dr. McLaughlin, and other members of the service will be sent to their assistance if needed.

There is no apprehension here over the outbreak of cholera in Prussia. The Marine Hospital authorities say that in the past the German authorities have generally been able to control such epidemics, and express confidence that they will take vigorous measures to do so in the present instance. They also say that cholera is comparatively easy to control.

A circumstance favorable to the protection of this country, they say, is the time which must elapse in making the voyage, chosen in preference from three to five days for its inception after contact with the victim.

GUARD AGAINST PLAGUE.

Dr. Doty Tells of Precautions to Keep Out Cholera.

Dr. A. H. Doty, Health Officer of the Port of New-York, made a statement last night in relation to the precautions taken against cholera, as a result of the outbreak of the disease in Prussia. He said:

"I have had a conference with certain representatives of the transatlantic steamship companies in relation to the precautions to be taken at ports liable to a visitation of the disease, and agreements have been made to carry out certain restrictions relative to the release of passengers and emigrants from those countries at ports of embarkation and on the passage. All passengers from infected countries are kept at five days of embarkation under medical inspection and observation for six days previous to departure, and all who are sick or suspected of cholera will not be allowed to embark. During the voyage to this port all steerage passengers will be subjected to a medical inspection twice daily, and every one who is ill in any way will be isolated. A record will be kept of all such cases and presented to the health officers on arrival.

The further treatment of the individual vessel will depend upon the history of the voyage and of the passengers. Thus all passengers who hereafter reach this port will be continuously under medical inspection for fifteen days. Other details have been considered in regard to drinking water, etc. All these precautions are merely an application of our usual methods in extreme emergencies. And right here I want to give expression of my confidence in the German medical officers, especially those of Hamburg, who have had much experience in the former epidemics, and are fully prepared to cope with the situation. The steamship companies have promptly met my wishes and are co-operating energetically.

Dr. Doty said that the extra precaution taken aboard and in this port would affect slightly the large number of steerage passengers booked for New-York. He also explained that cholera could be contracted only by the reception of organisms into the stomach, the common vehicle of transmission being drinking water.

BORIS SARATOFF. Eight hundred of whose followers have left Sofia for Turkey.



OUT FOR RAID ON TURKEY.

Followers of Boris Saratoff Leave Sofia—Big Movement Possible.

London, Sept. 1.—Information has reached London from Sofia that 800 Bulgarian-Macedonian insurgents, followers of Boris Saratoff, have left Sofia and are expected to raid Turkish territory. It is supposed in Sofia that some big movement is on foot, and the Turkish authorities fear serious disturbances. The Bulgarian bands in Macedonia are extremely mobile.

CONDEMNNS THE MAYOR.

Atlanta's Council Passes Censure for Conduct at Toledo.

Atlanta, Ga., Sept. 1.—The City Council in executive session this evening adopted stinging resolutions condemning Mayor James Woodward for his conduct at Toledo. The resolutions were adopted by a vote of nineteen to two. The resolutions declare that while Mayor Woodward was attending the convention in his official capacity he appeared on the floor in a state of partial intoxication, that he made a spectacle of himself, bringing discredit on the city and outraging the feelings and sentiments of the people, and that this conduct was not typical of Atlanta and that it is severely censured and condemned.

The Mayor's plea for clemency was of no avail. He devoted most of his time to an attack on Chicago and Mayor Dunne in an attempt to justify his remarks on Chicago. The resolution provided that a copy "be sent to the Mayor of Toledo, the officers of the League of American Municipalities, and through The Associated Press to leading journals throughout the country, with the request that they give the same as prominent a place in their columns as was given to their reports of the exhibitions made by the Mayor of Atlanta."

COTTAGERS PAY UP.

Sidney Webster Alone Succeeds in Having Newport Tax Remitted.

Newport, R. I., Sept. 1.—Of the numerous protests made to the City Council of Newport by cottagers in regard to the increase in the personal property tax, only one was successful. Sidney Webster, of New-York, proved to the satisfaction of the assessors that he is taxed in New-York for personal property and is a citizen of that city, and the local tax was remitted.

In regard to the other protests no notice has been received, and it is likely that at the next meeting of the City Council, on Tuesday evening next, the complainants will be allowed to withdraw the petitions. Nearly all of those who made protests have paid the taxes. Some paid under protest. The tax collector's office closed last night, so those not already paid will bear interest.

Among those who paid in the late hours were the Brown estate and the Golet estate, two of the most heavily taxed on personal property. On the last day the tax collector received \$140,000, the largest sum ever paid for taxes in one day in Newport.

GIANT ATTACKS OFFICER.

Negro Prisoner Nearly Kills Superintendent of Detectives.

Pittsburg, Sept. 1.—A desperate attempt was made to murder Thomas A. McQuaide, superintendent of detectives, this afternoon by Edward Johnston, a giant negro of Chicago, who was alone with the superintendent in the latter's private office. Johnston had been arrested while trying to pawn jewelry valued at more than \$1,000.

McQuaide was left alone with the negro, and ordered him to take off his shoes. The negro refused, and McQuaide was about to perform the task. He stooped forward, when the negro seized him. McQuaide attempted to touch an electric bell button, while Johnston snatched a heavy paper knife and began to slash the superintendent. Four detectives ran to the chief's assistance. The negro dragged them all through the office before a blow from a blackjack brought him down. All six of the men were painfully hurt.

ARTILLERY ORDERED TO SHUSHA.

Country in Terror of Tartars—Bloody Fights Continue.

Tiflis, Sept. 1.—All communication with Shusha is still cut off. The surrounding country is in terror of the Tartar bands, and sanguinary conflicts continue. Troops, with artillery, have been ordered to the scene.

A dispatch from Tiflis on Thursday said that Shusha was besieged by well armed Tartars, who were massacring the Armenians, and that telegraphic communication with Shusha had been cut.

The West Shore Railroad is the \$30 line to Buffalo and Niagara Falls. Up the Hudson and through the Mohawk Valley.—Adv.

TO GREET PRESIDENT.

Capital Wants to Show Appreciation of His Peace Work.

Washington, Sept. 1.—Washington is preparing to hold a monster public reception for President Roosevelt on his return to the White House. He may come here for a few days within the next two weeks, when the demonstration will occur, if agreeable to him. But when he returns on September 30, to settle down for the season, it will be difficult to avoid a tremendous exhibition of the pride and affection with which he is regarded in the national capital.

A little over two years ago, when he returned from a two months' Western tour, the High School Cadet regiment escorted him up Pennsylvania-ave. between such thousands as had gathered only for inauguration parades, and it is doubtful if ever man had a more enthusiastic welcome home. The proposition for a similar reception at this time, when he is fresh with world-wide honors of a peace achieved in the face of apparently insuperable difficulties, has spread like a prairie fire to-day, especially among the citizens, rather than among the office holding class, and at the suggestion of the leading men in the city the presidents of the Board of Trade and of the Business Men's Association are waiting the word to appoint various committees to insure that the occasion shall be memorable.

District Commissioner West has undertaken to learn through Secretary Loeb whether the idea proves acceptable to the President. If no objection is raised definite plans will be quickly made. It is not proposed that there shall be any speechmaking, but the avenue from the station to the White House will be decorated. Illuminations will be provided if the return is at night. All the military will be ordered out and the best part of the population will take part in the cheering.

ARREST GREEK BISHOP.

Canadian Authorities Allege That He "Aided Bigamy."

Winnipeg, Manitoba, Sept. 1.—The provincial authorities arrested Bishop Seraphim, metropolitan of the Greek Orthodox Church, charging him with "aiding bigamy," the result of a case tried in the police court here.

A man named Bidolph recently married a Russian girl, fifteen years old, though having a wife still living. When put on trial to-day Bidolph showed a decree of divorce, given by Bishop Seraphim, and was released. It is alleged that similar cases exist, and that polygamy is frequent among the foreign population of Winnipeg on account of these divorces.

Since his arrival here Bishop Seraphim has been in much trouble. He built a cathedral of scrap iron, old boards, etc., but his infuriated followers levelled it when they disagreed with him one day. They stoned the Bishop until he sought protection of the police. Later he rebuilt the cathedral.

In Canada "aiding bigamy" is a serious offence, and if convicted, it is likely Bishop Seraphim will go to the penitentiary.

DRAMATIST KISSES CAST.

Miss Merron Pleased with Reception of "She Dared Do Right."

Middletown, N. Y., Sept. 1.—Miss Eleanor Merron, author of the melodrama "She Dared Do Right," which was put on the stage for the first time at the Stratton Theatre in this city to-night, received a warm welcome from the audience after the third act, when it became evident that her effort had made a "hit." Miss Merron occupied a box, and the audience, after calling the cast before the curtain, turned to Miss Merron and heartily applauded her. So great was Miss Merron's pleasure at the presentation of the play that at its conclusion she went on the stage and kissed every man, woman and child in the cast.

LAW DELAYS YACHTSMAN.

Commodore R. A. C. Smith Debarred from American Waters.

Frontenac, N. Y., Sept. 1.—As the result of a protest by the Masters and Pilots' Association of the St. Lawrence River, the Privateer, owned by Commodore R. A. C. Smith, of New-York, the largest private yacht at the Thousand Islands, has been prohibited from cruising in American waters until an American pilot has been engaged.

The protest was made on the ground that the present pilot, who is said to be a Canadian, is steering the New-York cruiser in American waters in violation of the Federal Marine law. Commodore Smith, who came here early in the week, is anchored near Frontenac dock to-night. Mr. Smith appealed to the United States authorities at Washington, and to-night was told that he could return by Canadian waters. The commodore and his party will start on the return cruise as soon as the question is settled.

KILLS GIRL WITH STONE.

Aimed at Enemy—Hit Sister of Sweetheart.

Rosie Grippo, fourteen years old, of No. 537 West 53rd-st., was instantly killed last night, when hit by a large stone hurled by a man who was quarreling with another man. No arrests have been made, although a general alarm has been sent out for Charles Gillette, eighteen years old, of No. 337 West 53rd-st., who is alleged to have hurled the stone.

In the basement of the tenement house at No. 54 West 53rd-st., John Muscarello has a small grocery store. For some time, he says, he has been bothered by Gillette, who, he says, insults him every time he passes the store. Last night a little girl was sitting on the stoop over the store when the police saw Gillette pass. According to the police, the grocer ran into the store and Gillette grabbed a large stone and hurled it toward the window. The stone, however, did not go anywhere near where Gillette intended, but struck the girl in the right temple.

She fell down the stoop and the Italian ran down toward 11th-ave., and into a store, and Gillette turned into six-st., and for a few moments then it is thought after the girl had been killed. It became known that the girl was the sister of Margaret, seventeen years old, who was engaged to marry Gillette, who is wanted by the police for throwing the stone. Margaret said that her family knew that the death was accidental, and even if Gillette was arrested, her family would not prosecute him.

THE ADIRONDACK MOUNTAINS, THOUSAND ISLANDS AND SARATOGA ARE MOST CHARMING IN SEPTEMBER.

See our Ticket Agents for low rates and particulars.—Adv.

VANDALS LOOT HOUSE.

WORK AT THEIR LEISURE.

Barbarous Mutilation of Jose Ay-mar's Home, in East 54th-st.

Vandals and amateur burglars have been having a noble time in the house at No. 70 East 54th-st., while Jose Ay-mar and his family have been spending the summer at their cottage at Murray Bay, on the St. Lawrence. Early in the summer Mr. Ay-mar closed and boarded his house, locked the doors and went to Murray Bay. Whether he stored his silver remains to be learned on his hastened return. He did not leave a caretaker in the house, and soon after he moved out the vandals moved in, as is shown by the debris of numerous late suppers and "wine parties."

The visitors made up their beds with rugs and blankets on the dining room floor, and there, also, they held their revelry by night. Being lovers of art, they went through the house with a crowbar, and selecting the most valuable of Mr. Ay-mar's many fine paintings, ripped them from their frames, tore them off the stretchers and added the canvases to the mural decorations of the dining room. Among these pictures was a valuable Vibert and a portrait of Mrs. Ay-mar's great-uncle. They also brought all the rare china, glassware and pottery they could find, and adorned their banquet hall and sleeping apartment with it. And if a handle was knocked off or a few square inches chipped from a spout, the piece became an antique, with its value enhanced accordingly.

To get these various things the visitors searched the house in detail with crowbar and hatchet. The hardwood floors are gouged and marked by the point of the heavy iron being dragged across them, many pieces of furniture are chipped and scarred, and every door in the house, room or closet has a pile of chips in front of it, while there is a big hole in the door itself and a corresponding one in the jamb. The bureaus and chests of drawers are likewise mutilated and their contents strewn about the floors. Not a room was overlooked, not a closet missed, not a bureau spared. And in their barbarous work the vandals even drove the point of their crowbar into fine upholstered chairs and couches and dug huge holes in the walls.

THREE MEN CARRYING BAGS CAME OUT.

How much they carted away cannot be told until Mr. and Mrs. Ay-mar get back to the city, which they are expected to do to-night. On Thursday evening the caretaker at No. 72 East 54th-st. saw three men coming out of the basement door at No. 70 at about 7:30 o'clock, carrying bags of plunder. The night watchman hired by the Property Owners' Association of the block came on duty at 8 o'clock, and to him the woman at No. 72 told what she had seen. He called the patrolman on the beat, and the two entered Mr. Ay-mar's house, through the basement door, which was open. Inside they found the condition described. The police of the East 51st-st. station put a man on watch at the house, and in the morning C. Morgan Browne, of No. 64 East 54th-st., Mr. Ay-mar's brother-in-law, was informed. He came up immediately from his summer home at Cedarhurst, Long Island, and took charge of the case, employing the Pinkertons and telegraphing for Mr. Ay-mar.

Mr. Browne said yesterday that it was impossible for any one except Mr. Ay-mar to tell what had been stolen from the house. He could not even say if any silver had been taken, though none could be found in the house, for it might have been stored. A bag of furs and another of fine cut glass were found packed in the basement ready to be carried away. The burglars entered by the basement door, which is down a flight of winding steps from the street and under the main entrance, where one could work at leisure, to break in with little fear of being observed. The police of the East 51st-st. station have a man on guard and Sergeant McCafferty working on the case, but they deny all knowledge of a robbery having been committed.

Mrs. Ay-mar was Miss Lillian La Bau, and is a granddaughter of William H. Vanderbilt.

ROBS OLD GRANT HOUSE.

Burglar Caught Laden with Jewels Leaving Broker's Home.

The house once owned by General U. S. Grant, now occupied by James G. Marshall, a broker of the firm of Marshall, Spader & Co., of No. 70 Broadway and the Waldorf-Astoria, at No. 280 West End-ave., was entered by burglars last night in the absence of the family. Outside the house, under the five-foot wall, Patrolman Leehane arrested a man at the point of his gun, crouching in the shade. According to the police, this man confessed that he had entered the house and robbed it.

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He said he was Emil Edwards, a sculptor, of No. 159 West 100th-st. Many jewels were found on the man, including some that are supposed by the police to have been heirlooms. Leehane was standing at West End-ave. and West 73d-st., when a man asked him if he did not hear something drop. Leehane hurried across to the wall of the Marshall home, and, hearing up on the coping of the wall, saw the man crouching in the shadow.

BROKER'S HOME ROBBED.

Thieves Entered Through Vacant House by Way of the Roof, It Is Thought.

It was learned yesterday that the home of G. Seymour Willard, a broker of No. 25 Broad-st., who lives at No. 304 West 51st-st., was robbed of clothing and jewelry valued at several hundred dollars last Monday morning.

The family are away for the summer and the house is in charge of a watchman, who visits it night and morning. When he entered the place last Monday he saw that it had been ransacked. It is believed that the burglars entered a new unoccupied house several doors away, climbed to the top and worked their way through the roof, where they were robbed. Here they smashed a skylight and a heavy mahogany door to obtain entrance.

HOLD-UP BY PAT CROWE.

Noted Kidnapper Recently Operated in Omaha Hotel—Armed Men Seized Him.

Omaha, Sept. 1.—It leaked out here to-night that Pat Crowe, who several years ago kidnaped the Cudahy boy, and for whom big rewards are still offered, has committed another crime in this city recently. Only a few nights ago he entered the best known hotel in the city and held up three men there. Details of police and deputy sheriff armed with Winchester, and even night patrolling the streets looking for him.

LABOR DAY SPECIAL FROM ATLANTIC CITY via Pennsylvania Railroad, September 4. Leave City 5:30 p. m., with parlor cars, dining car, and coaches, for New-York, stopping at Trenton, Elizabeth and Newark. Fast schedule. Through trains to Atlantic City leave New-York week days at 5:35 a. m., 2:35 p. m. Sundays, 7:35 a. m.—Adv.

RINGS TAKEN, GEMS LEFT.

Mrs. William C. DeWitt Robbed at Shelter Island.

It was learned last night that Mrs. William C. DeWitt, wife of the well known lawyer, of No. 127 Remsen-st., Brooklyn, was the victim of a mysterious robbery, whereby she lost four fine rings, valued at \$3,000, while jewelry valued at almost twice that amount was undisputed.

The rings disappeared from Mrs. DeWitt's trunk at the Prospect House, Shelter Island, Long Island last Wednesday. The day before Mr. DeWitt, who took a prominent part in drawing up the Greater New-York charter, had returned to the city. On Wednesday Mrs. DeWitt was a guest at luncheon of Mrs. Charles H. Otis, who has a summer home at Shelter Island. When she returned to the Prospect House she was surprised to find the door of her room unlocked.

She at once made an investigation. Nothing in the room seemed to have been disturbed. Hastening to a bureau drawer, she found that a diamond studded watch and a jeweled pin were just where she had left them.

Mrs. DeWitt then decided that perhaps she had neglected to lock the door, or that it had been left open by one of the servants. On examining her jewel box, however, she saw that four of her most valuable rings were missing. One set with a diamond and a ruby is valued at \$1,000; another set with two diamonds and a sapphire, is valued at the same amount; the others were a ring set with two diamonds, valued at \$800, and one set with five diamonds, valued at \$800.

The strange thing about the disappearance of the rings was that in the same jewel box were other pieces of jewelry belonging to Mrs. DeWitt and her daughter and said to be worth nearly \$8,000. None of this had been taken, although it would have been just as easy for a thief to have carried it away as to have made a dash for the rings. Mrs. DeWitt was in the habit of keeping the key to her trunk in the toe of a slipper in the closet. To make the matter still deeper, the trunk was locked and the key in the usual place when Mrs. DeWitt returned from her visit.

A detective, Jacob Hamburger, who was sent to Shelter Island by Mr. DeWitt to investigate the mystery, admits that it is a most puzzling case. When Mrs. DeWitt returned to her home in Brooklyn last night it was said that no clew to the jewelry had been found, and that she was under suspicion of having taken them. Mr. DeWitt said last night that he would offer a reward for the recovery of the missing property.

ROBS WITTE'S DAUGHTER.

She Loses \$9,000 Pearl Necklace on Leaving Theatre.

Brussels, Sept. 1.—Mme. Narychikne, wife of Cyril M. Narychikne, secretary of the Russian legation here, and daughter of M. Witte, the Russian peace plenipotentiary, while leaving the theatre to-night missed a pearl necklace valued at \$9,000. The thief escaped.

RICH DIAMOND HAUL.

Thieves Who Stole Bliss Jewels Perhaps Took Bonner Safe.

Stamford, Conn., Sept. 1.—It became known to-day that Miss Katherine A. Bliss, of New-Canaan, a daughter of the late Cornelius Bliss, of New-York, has been robbed of diamonds valued at \$8,000. The diamonds were family heirlooms, to which Miss Bliss attaches a high sentimental value. The robbery occurred recently, and Miss Bliss, instead of notifying the New-Canaan or Stamford police, promptly put the case in the hands of the Pinkertons, who are investigating the matter. A butler disappeared about the time the jewels were missed and has not returned since. The detectives are looking for him.

Miss Bliss is forty years old. She does a lot of entertaining, and lives alone, with a large retinue of servants. Just before the robbery she went away to summer resort and was gone a week. She placed the jewels in a box and locked it in a drawer.

It is thought that the robbery was committed by members of an organized gang which is making a business of plundering the summer homes of New-Yorkers, and perhaps had something to do with the recent case in Stamford. At the home of Miss Bliss information was given to the Pinkertons, who are admitting that there has been a robbery in which diamonds had been stolen and the servants would not discuss the matter. "It is entirely private and personal," was all Miss Bliss would say.

Chief of Police William H. Brennan said to-night that perhaps the \$8,000 diamond robbery and the Bonner safe mystery were accomplished by one and the same gang, and that they, too, burglars, had come to a summer resort and were weeks ago and got away with thousands of dollars worth of silverware and other valuables. The safe mystery remains unsolved.

FLYWHEEL KILLS FOUR.

Three Men Seriously Injured by Its Bursting in McKeesport.

Pittsburg, Sept. 1.—Four men were killed, another is missing and is supposed to have been blown to pieces, and three more were seriously injured this afternoon by the bursting of a flywheel at the National Tube Company's mill, McKeesport, Penn. Two of the dead were killed workmen and Americans. Their names were John Farman and John Massung. The others were foreigners.

The accident occurred shortly after 1:30 o'clock this afternoon, while more than four hundred men were at work in the mill. The wheel was fifty-five feet in diameter, and it went to pieces with a loud report, tearing a big hole in the side of the mill and wrecking machinery worth thousands of dollars. The explosion caused much excitement, and hundreds of people were attracted to the plant.

About a year ago a flywheel burst in the same department, killing a number of men.

RATES AN ISSUE IN SOUTH DAKOTA.

St. Louis, Mo., Sept. 1.—Senator Gamble of South Dakota, to-day virtually declared war on Senator Kittredge by coming out unequivocally for railroad rate regulation, as urged by the President. South Dakota will thus have an opportunity to vote on the railroad question, as Mr. Kittredge is considered a bitter opponent of railroad regulation, and is said to be backing Congressman Martin's campaign for Senator Gamble's seat.

PLANS A SIXTY-MILE BOAT.

Pittsburg, Sept. 1.—Plans have been drawn, patents on machinery applied for and a company organized at Brownsville and California, Penn., for the building of a boat, expected to prove one of the greatest inventions of the century.

The inventor expects to push his vessel at the rate of from forty to sixty miles an hour. Frank W. Thompson, of Wellsville, the inventor, has designed a boat carrying screw propellers along the two sides of the boat from bow to stern. The boat will be built to present the least resistance to the wind. Mr. Thompson has interested practical river men.

HITCH ON SAGHALIEN.

JAPAN REFUSES TRUCE.

Komura "Going Home to Stones and, Perhaps, Dynamite."

It developed at Portsmouth that the question of the right to fortify Saghalien presented the only possibility of a hitch on the treaty.

Under instructions from Tokio, the Japanese envoys at Portsmouth refused to sign an armistice before the treaty was signed. An agreement was drawn up, therefore, for an armistice to go into effect immediately on the signing of the treaty.

It is expected that the treaty will be completed to-night or to-morrow, and that the envoys will receive authority to sign it by Tuesday or Wednesday.

The Japanese envoys realize that the terms of the treaty are so unpopular in Japan that they are "going home to stones and, perhaps, dynamite."

ENVOYS SETTLE DISPUTE.

M. Witte and Baron Komura Decide Wording of Treaty.

Portsmouth, N. H., Sept. 1.—The only possible hitch on the horizon of the peace conference, according to reports current here, which, however, are not officially confirmed, arises out of an evident misunderstanding over the question of the neutralization of the island of Saghalien.

According to the Japanese, the understanding reached on Tuesday contemplated a mutual obligation on the part of the two countries not to fortify their respective possessions on the island. St. Petersburg, however, there seems to have been an assumption that the agreement involved freedom of action on the part of Russia in this respect in the north of Saghalien, with an obligation on the part of the Japanese not to fortify or use for strategic purposes the part owned by her before 1876, which is to be retroceded in the present treaty. It is expected on both sides, however, that the hitch, if it really exists as reported, will shortly be straightened out, and it is believed that one of the subjects of to-night's conference related to this point.

As a result of the reports made to-night by M. de Maartens and Mr. Dennison to their respective chiefs on their work this afternoon at the navy yard, M. Witte and Baron Komura had a brief conference in the former's apartments at 8:30 o'clock to-night, regarding some details of translation and the few points of interpretation upon which the framers had been unable to reach complete accord. When Baron Komura left Mr. Dennison and Mr. Adams he entered the apartments of M. Witte, where they were joined by M. de Maartens and Mr. Pianzon. This conference lasted for about half an hour, when the Japanese returned to Baron Komura's apartments, leaving M. Witte and his subordinates, who remained in conference for more than an hour.